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## TELEGRAMS.

### OPIUM QUESTION.

#### REMINDER TO CHINA.

Reuter's.  
[Service to the "Telegraph."]  
via Bombay, May 22, 8.20 a.m.  
Received, 11.47 a.m.

Sir Edward Grey, replying in House of Commons to Sir J. D. Rees, said the Government understood that the present Provisional Chinese Government was as earnest as its predecessor regarding the suppression of opium-growing, but if any reluctance were displayed in taking over its obligations in this matter, the whole question of the Agreement would be raised.

#### KIAUCHAU.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY VOTE.

via Bombay, May 22, 8.20 a.m.  
Received, 11.47 a.m.

The Budget Committee of the Reichstag has sanctioned a supplementary estimate for Kiauchau amounting to 650,000 marks to cover the expenses incurred in protecting German interests during the recent disturbances in China.

#### MISS MALECKA.

via Bombay, May 22, 12.20 a.m.  
Received, 4.30 a.m.

In his statement on the Malecka case in the House of Commons, Mr. Asquith said the Russian Government stated there was incontrovertible proof of the accused's Russian nationality.

[In yesterday's telegram it was stated that Mr. Asquith said there was incontrovertible proof of Miss Malecka's Russian nationality. The above is now forwarded as a correction.]

### BRITISH COMMUNICATIONS.

#### NEW TUBE RAILWAY.

London, May 21, 4.40 a.m.  
Received, 4.53 p.m.

Mr. Herbert Samuel, Postmaster-General, in the annual Post Office statement in the House of Commons, said it was contemplated to build a tube railway across London exclusively for the transport of mails and parcels.

#### WIRELESS SCHEME.

Regarding the Imperial wireless scheme, six stations would be at first erected. The first would be in England, the second and third probably in Egypt and East Africa, the fourth in India, the fifth at Singapore, and the sixth in South Africa. The cost per station would be sixty thousand pounds.

#### BOXING.

#### MIDDLEWEIGHT CHAMPION.

via Bombay, May 21, 2.5 p.m.  
Received, 6 p.m.

At the National Sporting Club, Jack Harrison defeated McEnroy, of the Irish Guards, on points in a twenty rounds contest for the middleweight championship of England.

## TELEGRAMS.

### LABOUR UNREST.

#### A GENERAL STRIKE?

Reuter's.  
[Service to the "Telegraph."]  
via Bombay, May 22, 7.10 a.m.  
Received, 22, 10.50 a.m.

The transport workers seem disposed to take up the lighter-men's cause.  
A complete standstill at the port of London and even a general strike are regarded as not improbable.

#### PRINCE OF WALES.

#### THE TOULON VISIT.

via Bombay, May 21, 2.5 p.m.  
Received, 6 p.m.

A message from Paris says that the Prince of Wales has left for Toulon.

#### ARRIVAL.

via Bombay, May 22, 7.10 a.m.  
Received, 10.50 a.m.

G. R. H. the Prince of Wales has arrived at Toulon. He boarded the battleship Danton, on board of which a luncheon party was given in his honour, after which the Fleet weighed anchor and made for sea in order to undergo naval exercises.

### THE MEDITERRANEAN.

#### NAVAL INSPECTION.

via Bombay, May 22, 7.10 a.m.  
Received, 10.50 p.m.

Mr. Asquith and Mr. Churchill have left for Genoa en route for Malta and Gibraltar, to carry out naval inspections.

#### LORD HALDANE.

#### TO BERLIN AGAIN.

via Bombay, May 22, 7.10 a.m.  
Received, 10.50 a.m.

The newspapers announce that Lord Haldane starts to-night for Berlin, where he will stay for ten or twelve days. He goes on purely private business.

### NEW ZEALAND'S GIFT.

#### PATRIOTIC ATTITUDE.

via Bombay, May 21, 2.5 p.m.  
Received, 6 p.m.

In response to the Admiralty suggestions, the Government of New Zealand has expressed its willingness that the battle cruiser New Zealand, which was originally intended for the Far East, shall be employed wherever it will be most useful. Accordingly, the vessel joins the first cruiser squadron of the first fleet in home waters, after visiting New Zealand. The date of completion of the vessel will be early in 1913.

## TELEGRAMS.

### DENMARK'S GRIEF.

#### ROYAL MOURNERS.

Reuter's.  
[Service to the "Telegraph."]  
London, May 21, 2 p.m.  
Received, 22, 3.30 a.m.

Prince Arthur of Connaught, who is representing King George at the funeral of the late King of Denmark, has started for Copenhagen. He will be followed by Queen Alexandra and the Empress Marie.

#### PRINCE KILLED.

#### MOTORING TO DENMARK.

via Bombay, May 21, 2.5 p.m.  
Received, 6 p.m.

A message from Copenhagen states that the Court has received a telegram to the effect that Prince George William, eldest son of the Duke of Cumberland, has been killed on the frontier at Mecklenburg, while motoring towards Copenhagen.

#### DETAILS.

Later.

A message from Berlin conveys the information that Prince George William was travelling at full speed at night, accompanied by Herr Champorlain von Greve. The car fell in a trench in a road which was under repair at the village of Fiesack, in the province of Brandenburg. Both were killed on the spot. The Prince, who was driving, had his head smashed by the bonnet of the car. The chauffeur was injured.

### TURCO-ITALIAN WAR.

#### TURKEY'S RETORT.

via Bombay, May 21, 2.5 p.m.  
Received, 6 p.m.

Reuter's Constantinople correspondent says that a special Council of Ministers has decided upon the expulsion of all Italians from the Empire, with the exception of workmen, indigents and widows, within a fortnight.

#### COS CAPTURED.

London, May 21, 0.35 p.m.  
Received, 22, 0.8 a.m.

The Italians have captured the island of Cos, off the coast of Asia Minor.

### PERSIAN GULF TROUBLE.

#### BETTER NEWS.

via Bombay, May 21, 2.50 p.m.  
Received, 0.28 p.m.

A message from Simla says that the Arabs have retreated from Bunderabbas, and landing parties are re-embarking on the cruisers Persous and Fox. The Rajputs are returning to Jaik, leaving a strengthened Consular guard. Two bluejackets were drowned while landing.

## TELEGRAMS.

### PERSIAN SENSATION.

#### A DISCREDITED STORY.

Reuter's.  
[Service to the "Telegraph."]  
via Bombay, May 22, 12.20 a.m.  
Received, 4.30 a.m.

Reuter's Teheran correspondent states that the report that Yezrim, the Armenian Chief of Police, was treacherously murdered is discredited. He was shot from a fort which was believed to be evacuated and which afterwards Yezrim's followers stormed, and killed all inside.

### THE GERMAN ARMY.

#### MEETING EXPENDITURE.

London, May 21, 6.35 p.m.  
Received, 6.8 a.m.

The Reichstag has decided to postpone the reduction of the sugar tax in order to meet new military expenditure.

#### HOME CRICKET.

London, May 21, 5.45 p.m.  
Received, 22, 5.40 a.m.

Warwickshire beat Sussex at Birmingham by an innings and six wickets.

Surrey beat Gloucestershire at the Oval by an innings and 87 runs.

[Last year Warwickshire won by two wickets and Surrey by an innings and 51 runs.]

#### AVIATION FEAT.

#### BELGIUM TO ENGLAND AND BACK.

London, May 21, 5.45 p.m.  
Received, 22, 5.40 a.m.

The Belgian aviator Cronberg ascended at Nieuport Bains, flew to Canterbury, where he dropped salutations to Britain, and returned via Calais without alighting.

#### PASTOR EXECUTED.

London, May 21, 5.45 p.m.  
Received, 22, 5.40 a.m.

Richeson, the American Baptist pastor convicted of the murder of a girl to whom he was engaged, but whom he gave up in favour of another, the daughter of rich parents, has been executed.

### ANARCHIST SENTENCED.

via Bombay, May 21, 2.5 p.m.  
Received, 6 p.m.

The noted anarchist, Mala Teesta, many years a resident in England, has been sentenced to three months' imprisonment and also to deportation for libelling a competitor in Soho by suggesting that he is a police spy.

## TELEGRAMS.

### THE NEW CHINA.

#### ROYALIST PLOT.

(From Chinese Sources.)

Peking, May 21.

The Terrorist Society, formed by the members of the Imperial Family, conspired to raise a rebellion in Hupoh. The plot was discovered and 20 of them were arrested.

#### WONG HING'S POST.

The people and gentry of Nanking have telegraphed to President Yuan earnestly requesting him not to do away the post of the Resident General in Nanking. "Shat Po."

#### NEW LOAN CLAUSE.

Shanghai, May 21.

An additional clause has been inserted in the Loan Agreement which prohibits the Provincial Governments from obtaining loans secretly from any other nation.

#### A SQUABBLE.

Sze Siu-ki, Minister of Communications, is seriously at variance with his junior officials in the same Ministry, and consequently he has tendered his resignation to the Premier, which is not accepted.

#### LOAN OPPOSITION.

Grant agitations against the Loan Agreement are prevailing everywhere. Hsiung Hsi-ling, Minister of Finance, has expressed his intention of resigning as a result.

Chan Kam-tso declines to accept the post of auditor under the Loan Agreement. The members of the State Council are strongly opposing the clauses of the loan agreement.

#### FOREIGN MINISTER.

Luk Ching Cheung, Minister of Foreign Affairs, has telegraphed to the Central Government announcing his impending arrival at Peking from Europe on the 22nd inst. "Shat Po."

#### RUSSIA AND MONGOLIA.

Peking, May 21.

The Russian Minister of Foreign Affairs is alleged to have made an announcement in the Duma that as China has no time to spare in the development of Outer Mongolia, Russia should seize the opportunity to start railway enterprises there and ultimately obtain commercial predominance and assume military protection.

His announcement is reported to have been supported by the members of the Duma. A grant of 30,000 roubles for the expenses of investigation into the condition of Mongolia has been set aside. An attempt has also been made to lengthen the railway from Fulon to St. Petersburg.

#### ATTEMPT ON MINISTER.

Ip Siu-shung, former Commissioner of Navigation, made an unsuccessful attempt to shoot Sze Siu-ki, Minister of Communications, outside the offices of the Ministry. Sze was dragged out of the carriage by the would-be assassin, who inflicted a slight wound in his rib. The reason for the outrage was that Sze had failed to fulfil an alleged promise of getting an appointment for the would-be assassin. "Sai Kai Kang Yik Po."

## TELEGRAMS.

### LOAN TO CHINA.

#### AUSTRIA'S POSITION.

Reuter's.  
[Service to the "Telegraph."]  
via Bombay, May 22, 12.20 a.m.  
Received, 4.30 a.m.

Reuter's Paris correspondent says it is understood that it has been intimated that the Austrian proposal for inclusion in the Six Power group concerned in the Chinese loan would make the scheme unworkable, but that every facility would be offered to Austria's financial participation.

### CANTON NEWS.

#### Seizure of Firearms.

(The "Telegraph" Correspondent.)  
Canton, May 21.

During the last few days great excitement and alarm have prevailed among the people in Canton, owing to large quantities of firearms and bombs being located in Kut Cheong Street, Young Chun Street, and other places. It appears that the disbanded revolutionary soldiers had been reluctant to sacrifice these weapons and explosives, and had them stored secretly in the different parts of the city. The other day the Governor-General issued a stringent order for a thorough search for firearms and bombs throughout the city. The troops of the regular forces were posted to search the houses in the old and new parts of the city. All the gates and entrances to the city were strongly guarded and suspects were searched. The search in the houses was conducted jointly by the troops and the police. Yesterday over 300 rifles and a large quantity of bombs were located in the Tui-tai city and many arrests were made. The Governor-General has now issued another proclamation to the effect that although Canton is assuming its former state of tranquillity outwardly, there are still many undesirable things trying to disturb the peace. In the proclamation he says that the storage of firearms, swords, etc., is a breach of the peace. He informs the people that they must submit to the search by the police and soldiers and must not be alarmed.

#### No Idol Worship.

The Governor-General has directed the Commissioner of Interior and Commissioner of Education that, under instructions from the central Government, they are required to issue proclamations to the effect that hereafter the worshipping of idols in the temples and the holding of memorial services in remembrance of the so-called faithful and brave heroes from the Manchu Government's point of view should be done away with. The Governor-General says that the worshipping of idols will not only cause superstition, but the people will be made fools of. As regards the so-called heroes, they had done nothing for the Republican Government, although they might have done much for the Manchu Government, and their images ought to be done away with.

#### Republican Banks.

A meeting of the Canton Provisional Council was held the other day to consider the question of promoting the formation of Chinese Republican banks. Some members opposed the question being considered by the Council, as the Council had no right to consider anything connected with business enterprise. The others contended that the Council was quite in order, since the formation of these banks was a public affair. The motion was then put to the vote and was rejected.

## NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

### Telegrams.

At the funeral of the late King of Denmark, Prince Arthur of Connaught will represent King George V.

At cricket, Surrey has defeated Gloucestershire and Warwickshire overcome Sussex.

The American Baptist pastor Richeson, found guilty of the murder of a girl to whom he was engaged, has been executed.

The Belgian aviator Cronberg has performed the feat of flying from Belgium to England and back without alighting.

Austria's inclusion in the Six Power group advancing a loan to China is considered unworkable.

Prince George William, eldest son of the Duke of Cumberland, has been killed while motoring to Copenhagen.

Turkey has decided on the expulsion of all Italians from the Empire with the exception of workmen, indigents and widows.

The Arabs at Bunderabbas having retreated, the landing parties from British cruisers are re-embarking.

To cover the expenses of protecting German interests in China during the recent disturbances, the Budget Committee of the Reichstag has sanctioned a supplementary vote of 650,000 marks.

Sir Edward Grey says that if the new Government in China is reluctant to take over its obligations regarding suppression of opium-growing, the whole question of the Agreement will be raised.

A man who stole a pair of rat-tan bangles from a little girl in Graham Street yesterday was chased and captured by an Indian watchman. To-day at the police court he was sentenced to two months' imprisonment and to two whippings of ten strokes each.

Messrs. Melchers and Co. inform us that the I. G. M. S. Buelow, touched the ground near Kobe, but got off with little damage. She will very likely be despatched from Hongkong on Friday, May 31.

The Indian chauffeur who was prosecuted by the Hon. Mr. O. Clementi for driving in a reckless manner, was fined \$10, this morning. The alternative was fourteen days' imprisonment.

A general strike of transport workers is possible in London out of sympathy for the lightermen.

Lord Haldane has gone on a purely private business visit to Berlin.

H. B. H. the Prince of Wales has arrived at Toulon and boarded the battleship Danton.

Mr. Asquith and Mr. Churchill have left to carry out naval inspections at Malta and Gibraltar.

A new tube railway is to be constructed through London to be used exclusively for the transport of mails and parcels.

### LOCAL.

Another side of the Motor Car Agitation is told by Mr. Nicol, of the Exile Garage, who states that the petition is the outcome of family grievances through sons of wealthy people running up big bills for motoring.

At the Summary Court this morning, during the hearing of a claim for wages by three men against the Hong King Shipping firm, it was stated that the company had had numerous addresses. It was also stated that the company never actually commenced business and that the wages were not to commence until the company had really got under way.

The case was continued to-day in which three Chinese charged four Revenue officers with assaulting them in order to force them to make admissions regarding an opium charge.



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10.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.	" 15 min.
11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m.	" 15 min.
2.45 p.m. to 3.15 p.m.	" 10 min.
3.15 p.m. to 4.45 p.m.	" 15 min.
4.45 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.	" 15 min.
5.00 p.m. to 8.10 p.m.	" 10 min.
NIGHT CARS.	
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10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.	" 10 min.
11.45 a.m. to 12.00 noon.	" 15 min.
12.00 noon to 1.00 p.m.	" 10 min.
1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.	" 15 min.
5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	" 10 min.
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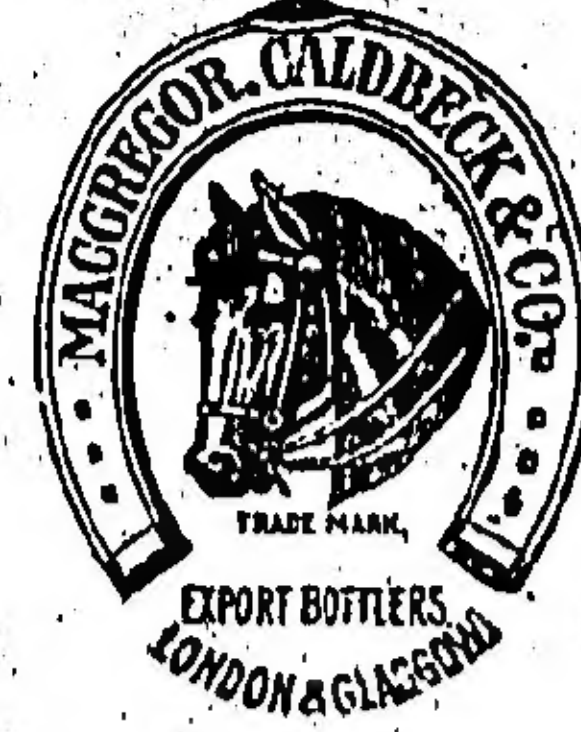
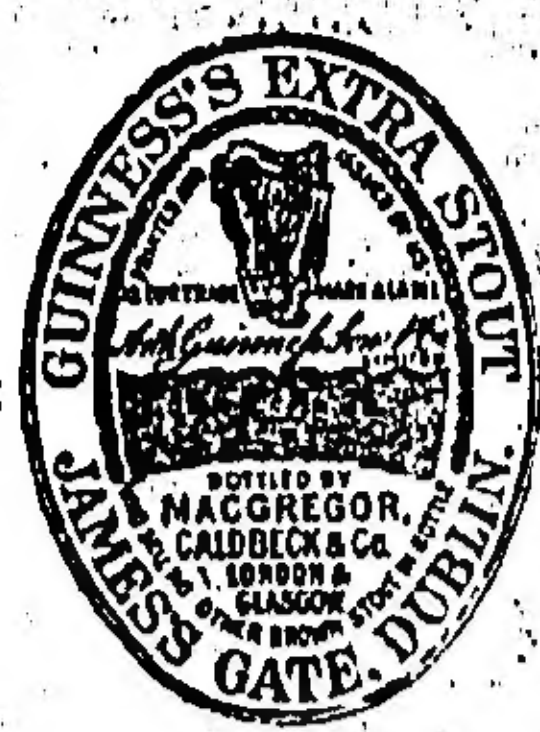
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## China Mail.

Tang Shao yi.

With the fall of Manchu official-  
dom, the implicit trust placed in  
Yuan Shih-kai and Tang Shao-yi,  
by which the former became  
China's first President and the  
latter her first Premier, in pro-  
ference to such men as Wu Ting-  
fang, General Li Hung and Dr.  
Sun Yat-sen, is difficult for the  
western mind to understand. That  
Tang found his office not alto-  
gether a bed of roses is evident  
from recent criticism levelled at  
him by the body known as the  
Consultative Chamber, and we  
should, therefore, not be surprised  
if ultimately he should relinquish  
the premiership—and probably  
Yuan Shih-kai will find it expe-  
dient to allow his satellite to be  
merged in temporary eclipse.  
Tang's history has been, so far, a  
very remarkable one indeed, and  
consequently it will be all the  
more interesting to observe his  
subsequent actions.

## Daily Press.

Plague in Hongkong.  
The health authorities are no  
longer in any doubt as to how  
plague is spread. Exterminate  
rats and you exterminate plague,  
for the disease is communicated  
to human beings only by means  
of the rat flea. Rats live on food  
refuse, and the more people there  
are in a given area the greater is  
the amount of food refuse, and  
consequently the larger the rat  
population becomes. This is the  
explanation that has been offered  
for the serious recrudescence of  
plague in the Colony this year.  
Yet though Shanghai has been  
just as overcrowded as Hongkong,  
we have not noticed that a single  
case of plague has been reported  
in the Northern Settlement.  
Perhaps when we can ascertain  
definitely how the rat becomes  
infected with plague, the cam-  
paign will be waged more suc-  
cessfully. It seems we cannot  
hope for the complete disap-  
pearance of bubonic plague in  
Hongkong in the same magic  
way that pneumonic plague seems  
to have disappeared from Man-  
churia.

## South China Morning Post.

The Church in Wales.  
The disestablishment of the  
church in Wales need not neces-  
sarily be the raising of a bulwark  
against moral and religious pro-  
gress, but will probably and the  
autocratic rule of individuals who  
have hailed birth rather than the  
aristocracy of brains as the hall-  
mark for promotion in all spheres  
of life. The Welsh church, eman-  
cipated, will become a national  
church in name as well as in  
deed.

## CHINA AND OPIUM.

None but dreamers ever really  
supposed that China would per-  
manently purge herself of opium  
by means of an Imperial Edict,  
says the "Pall Mall Gazette." I  
was always foreseen by those  
best qualified to give an opinion  
that within ten years there would  
be more opium than ever pro-  
duced in the Middle Kingdom.  
We do not suggest that British  
policy could have continued to  
support the traffic in Indian opium,  
but sentimental politicians need not  
have blinded themselves to the  
real state of the situation. So  
long as there is money to be made  
out of growing poppy in China,  
most officials will not only wink  
at its cultivation, but even en-  
courage it, whenever the central  
authority is weakened. The Brit-  
ish assent to the Chinese pro-  
posals, has embarrassed Indian  
finances, and all that it will do for  
China is to enable the adulterated  
Chinese opium to replace the pure  
product of Malwa and Bhang.



## LATE TELEGRAMS.

(From Manila Papers.)

San Francisco, May 15.—Roosevelt's victory in the California primary election is assuming the proportions of a landslide. He has a clear majority over both Taft and La Follette of nearly 20,000 and a plurality over Taft of 60,000. The count is not complete, but these figures will be maintained if not improved in favour of Roosevelt.

Roosevelt appears to have carried every county in the state except the portion of San Francisco embraced in the fourth congressional district, where Taft has a small lead, and San Joaquin where La Follette is leading. The fourth district is represented by Julius Kalin, who is a staunch Taft man, and also contains the exposition site and here the followers of the President made their strongest battle.

Taft has a possible contest for two delegates to the Chicago convention in the fourth district, but there is a possibility that the entire state delegation of 24 men will be for Roosevelt at Chicago convention.

Champ Clark also swept the state in the Democratic primary administering a severe defeat to Governor Wilson.

The contest was notable for the large number of women who participated. They voted by thousands and a majority of them were for Roosevelt and against Taft.

## Direct Election.

Washington, May 13.—The bill providing for the direct election of the President of the United States was passed by the lower house to-day by a considerable majority.

The upper house having already approved of the measure it now goes to President Taft for approval or veto. It is believed the President will approve the bill.

## A Turn-over.

Cheyenne, May 13.—President Taft gets six votes from the state of Wyoming that had heretofore been generally counted for former President Roosevelt. The state convention which met here to-day was controlled by the forces of Senator Warren and selected a delegation to Chicago convention instructed to vote for Taft.

Senator Warren, who led the fight for President Taft, was chosen as head of the delegation.

## New Teachers for Manila.

Baguio, May 14.—Cable advice was received to-day that 36 more new teachers had sailed from San Francisco on the Korea, May 10. This makes a total of 107 new teachers to have left the States, and there are a few yet to be heard from. The 55 men who sailed from San Francisco on April 24 are expected to arrive in Manila on May 20, where they will remain for some two weeks for the purpose of receiving instructions with regard to their work. The following old teachers are also returning on the Korea: John C. Early, Mrs. E. M. Laidyard, Mrs. Dora Thomson, Miss Mary B. Crans, and Christian Hamlin. Among the passengers is also Mr. Frederick E. Moir of the Bureau of Civil Service, who is returning from six months' leave of absence.

## Big Crowds.

Columbus, May 15.—Col. Roosevelt is being met by large crowds on his speech-making tour of the state in behalf of his own candidacy for the presidential nomination and is making a series of vigorous talks.

In his opening address here he said: "This fight is between the plain people and the bosses and it is the greatest that has occurred in the United States since the death of Lincoln."

Roosevelt and his followers continue to be very confident of the Ohio primary, but equally strong and sanguine are the claims of Taft managers.

## Taft's Attack.

Washington, May 16.—President Taft continues to viciously attack Roosevelt in all his speeches, which is believed to be mainly responsible for the evident revulsion of feeling which favours his opponent.

## NEWS FROM HOME.

## ENGLAND.

## Yorkshire.

By twenty-four votes to fourteen Leeds City Council have decided that the next and succeeding Lord Mayors shall be remunerated out of the rates to the extent of £1,250 annually. The proposal emanated from the Liberal party, in the hope of widening the field of selection of candidates. The Conservatives strongly opposed on the ground that the principle of the proposal was wrong, the proposal was not called for, and that, if it were, the present time was inopportune to raise it.

By machinery to be inaugurated in a few days at Bradford the corporation anticipates an increase from £30,000 last year to £50,000 in the profit from grease recovered from the sewage.

## SCOTLAND.

## Midlothian.

Apprehension for the safety of a pet bulldog resulted in the death of Archibald Riny Miller, of the Victoria Inn, Auchtermuir, near Peterhead. Mr. Miller was walking along the road with a friend when a motor-car came up behind. Both men were on the safe side of the road, but Mr. Miller, apprehensive of the safety of the bulldog, left his companion and rushed across to seize the dog. The car caught him, fracturing his skull and breaking his right arm, and he died in a few minutes.

The death has occurred of Colonel John Cornelius Craigie Halkett at his residence, Cranford House, Midlothian. Colonel Craigie Halkett was a J.P., a M.L.A., and a magistrate for Midlothian, and twenty-first representative of his family in the direct line who had always been in the Army. He was the head of the ancient Fifeshire family of Halkett. His three sons predeceased him, and Cranford House, Midlothian, passed to his eldest daughter, Mrs. Gallander, of Ardington.

## Nottinghamshire.

At the inquest on a servant girl named Ashmore, who was drowned in the Trent at Nottingham through a boat sinking, it was said that some men were on the river bank but made no attempt to save her. Accidental death was the verdict.

A number of Mansfield (Nottinghamshire) strikers digging for coal on the waste tip at Sherwood Colliery, came upon a woman's boot with a foot in it. The police were told, and further digging revealed the skeleton of a woman. Some hair attached to the skull and small pieces of a green dress were found.

## IRELAND.

## County Antrim.

Mme. Sorgue, who was described by the Public Prosecutor at the Court of Assizes at Milan as "the most dangerous woman in Europe," has been prevented from fulfilling an engagement to address a meeting in Belfast by an intimation that she would be arrested if she came to England at the present time. Mme. Sorgue is a revolutionary aristocrat. Her grandfather was the Russian general, Crippoff. Her uncle, Istomine, was the senior admiral of the Baltic fleet. She is the daughter of Durand de Gros, a famous French philosopher.

There was an animated scene at Belfast Assizes between Mr. Justice Boyd and Mr. W. M. McGrath, K.C. The latter objected to a statement of his lordship in summing up the evidence in a claim against the corporation, alleging that he misrepresented the evidence of a witness, and adding that it was his duty to protest against evidence being misstated when he thought that was done. The judge called for the withdrawal of that statement, declaring that he would not stand it. Mr. McGrath withdrew the remark, but repeated that his version of the evidence was correct. The judge declared that he had read his note, and did not understand counsel's persistence in saying he was telling what was not true, adding that he should behave with decorum, that no other barrister believed as he did, and that "some people think they cannot show energy for their clients as well as by insulting the Bench, and that is what you are doing."

## CANTON NEWS.

## Raising Funds.

(The "Telegraph" Correspondent.) Canton, May 20.

Mr. Wu Han-man, the Governor-General, has in view of the rise of the sentiment with the proposal for raising loans from the people, deemed it advisable to gain the support of the officials as an encouragement to public participation in these loans. The other day a meeting was held in his residence, which was largely attended by officials. The following arrangements were made: Civil officials receiving pay of \$100 a month or upwards will contribute one month's salary to be devoted to the loan, and this amount will be paid by instalments to be completed within three months; officials drawing below \$100 a month are at liberty to do as they please.

On the 17th inst., a similar meeting was held among the military officials, which was presided by Mr. Chan Kwang-ming, Commander-in-chief. As a result of this meeting, all officers and men are required to contribute proportionately to the loan.

## Macao Question.

Young Ying-lun and other members of the society for dealing with the question of the delimitation of the Macao boundary, have petitioned the Canton Governor-General alleging that the Macao Government has issued proclamations notifying the people of Colowan island that the Government intends to collect land tax from them. The petitioners beg the Governor-General to open negotiations with the Governor of Macao in order to stop this proposal. On the receipt of the petition, the Governor-General considered the action of the Macao Government as tending to trespass on the sovereignty of China, and has directed the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs to open negotiations with the Macao Government protesting their action.

## Plague Precautions.

On the 17th inst., a meeting of the Provisional Council was held in connection with the question of the large number of Chinese infected with plague returning to Canton from Hongkong and Macao. Many of the members were of opinion that the number of infected people returning to Canton would cause the epidemic to spread, and one of the members said that the daily deaths through infection with plague in Hongkong and Macao were enormous and unless steps were taken to prevent these people from arriving in Canton a big epidemic would inevitably occur in Canton. After considerable arguments, the resolution for preventing the landing of people infected with plague was passed. It was decided to approach the Governor-General to direct the Director of the Health Department to establish an isolated ward in Whampoa, the infected passengers from Hongkong and Macao to be conveyed there for treatment, and to set aside a building for the accommodation of relatives of the people infected in order to enable them to see them.

## National Bonds.

On the 19th inst., a meeting of the Cantonese Merchants' Peace Preservation Society was held in connection with the raising of national bonds and was largely attended. Owing to the financial straits of the Empire, foreign loans had to be raised, but in consequence of the dispute as to control of the funds, the meeting called upon those present to take up national bonds as a means of saving China from the crisis. It was decided to seek the assistance of the Canton Chamber of Commerce, the Nine Charitable Institutions, and the Chinese merchants in Hongkong in order to send a joint telegram to the State Council in Peking opposing the action of the foreign nations in checking the expenditure of China and interfering with Chinese military affairs. The telegram will further assure the State Council that the Cantonese are energetic in taking up the national bonds and in guaranteeing the repayment of foreign loans. The result of the meeting has been reported to the Governor-General and the Society is now busily engaged drawing up regulations governing the raising of the bonds.

## SPECULATIONS IN RICE.

## Japanese Merchants Arrested.

Thirty-seven rice merchants and speculators connected with the Tokyo Rice Exchange were recently arrested by the Central Police on a charge of violating the rules governing the Exchange. With a few exceptions the accused are still detained by the police pending trial. Among the accused are such well-known merchants as Seishichi Iwasaki, Tokubei Kato, Yoshitaro Kato, Koshichi Masuda, Tokubei Kimura and Kinbei Mutsamura. Investigations made by the authorities indicate that the accused have for a long time been engaged in a certain transaction regarded as illegal, and prohibited by the Department of Agriculture and Commerce. The recent steady rise in the price of rice on the Tokyo market is mainly attributed to this fraudulent practice on the part of the accused.

## Infringing the Stamp Law.

The Tokyo papers say in this connection that an official inspection of the documents and books belonging to the accused which have been confiscated have led to the discovery that in addition to the illegal practice complained of, several of the accused have, for many years past, refrained from using stamps in connection with transactions, as stipulated in the regulations of the Exchange, thereby infringing the Revenue Stamp Law now in force.

The arrest of the speculators has given general satisfaction among residents in the capital, who believe that now these fraudulent practices have been discovered the quotations of rice will gradually decline. The Department of Agriculture and Commerce, the Tokyo Chiba Saiban-ho, and the Central Police Office are now flooded with postcard and letters from the poorer class expressing appreciation of the action taken by the authorities.

Recently, quotations on the Tokyo Rice Exchange showed an advance and inquiries show that the management of the Exchange have purposely caused quotations to advance as a demonstration against the authorities. Thereupon the Department of Agriculture and Commerce is reported to have decided to adopt rigid measures against the Exchange at an early date with a view to lowering the price of the cereal.

## HYDROPHOBIA IN BAN GKOK.

## Satisfactory Result of Dog-slaying.

The "Bangkok Daily Mail" gives the following list of fatalities from hydrophobia which have occurred since registration was enforced:—

Date	Deaths from Hydrophobia
1st Oct. 1909 to 31st March 1910 (6 mos.)	3
1st April 1910 to 31st Mar. 1911	16
1st April 1911 to 29th Feb. 1912 (March returns not completed yet)	3

Total 2 yrs. and 5 mos. 22. These figures are for the town of Bangkok alone, representing a population of about 630,000. Registration of births and deaths is not enforced in some of the outlying suburbs nor in other parts of the Monthon.

The killing of dogs commenced on March 3, 1908 and from the date up to March 31, 1912, about 20,000 dogs had been killed; 17,746 of these having been actually picked up off the roads. Last year 3,172 dogs were killed and picked up.

Although these records are far too short a period to prove that the decrease of hydrophobia is a result of the destruction of dogs, yet it is the firm opinion of the Medical Officer of Health that this is the case and we must admit that we agree with him. We trust that this good work will continue and thus keep down the number of cases of hydrophobia to a large extent.

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## THE CHINESE AND FOREIGN LOANS.

Judging from the willing manner in which Dr. Sun Yat-sen received inquisitive newspaper men during his brief stay in Hongkong, the ordeal of being interviewed has no terrors for the ex-President of China. Indeed, he seems to have revelled in meeting the insistent queries of the Pressmen with ready, if somewhat guarded and occasionally inconclusive, answers. Of course, he was optimistic of the future, as all reformers are; but, after reading his utterances, we begin to ask ourselves whether Dr. Sun is not in the habit of closing his eyes to some of the more unpleasant and less praiseworthy outgrowths of the Revolutionary spirit. There is one aspect of the situation in particular with which we wish to deal in this connection. It is that of the undoubted spirit of opposition to foreign loans which exists in China to-day, and especially in the South.

When Dr. Sun's attention was called to the fact that Chinese merchants in Hongkong had been urging Canton to resist foreign loans on the ground that their acceptance would lead to the partition of China, the worthy ex-President declared, with characteristic brevity and emphasis, that the story was nonsense. He, however, admitted that there was still a reluctance to accepting foreign financial help, but described this as "only a remnant of an old idea." But those in possession of the full facts cannot permit the matter to be lightly dismissed with a wave of the hand in this way. Everybody who follows Chinese questions at all intelligently must know that, during the recent loan negotiations, there were protests from all quarters of the country against borrowing foreign money, and among those who did their best to bring the negotiations to nought were numerous leaders of Republicanism, prominent amongst whom was Wong Hing, a personal friend of Sun Yat-sen's. Then, with regard to the part which Hongkong Chinese took in the matter—and which Dr. Sun Yat-sen is inclined to disbelieve, or to profess that he disbelieves—we fortunately have chapter and verse to bear out the story. Within the past two weeks the Bankers' Guild here has endeavoured to stir up feeling in Canton against foreign loans, asserting that the advance of money is "only a preliminary step to the seizure of territory in China," while, since that time, the Chinese merchants in Hongkong have advised their compatriots in Canton that "there is only one way of saving China from falling into the hands of foreign nations, and that is by raising loans from the people themselves."

From what we have written it will be conceded that, if this attitude of the Chinese is "only a remnant of an old idea," it is a fairly active and aggressive remnant. Long before the advent of the Revolution the Chinese had begun to dislike foreign assistance, and it is our firm belief that the opinions of the people have not undergone any material change in this regard. If there has been a change, we should say it has been, as a consequence of the new-found spirit of independence, in the direction of even further hatred of the idea of borrowing money from abroad. Dr. Sun says the leaders of the new movement do their best to explain to the people that the use of foreign capital is to their mutual benefit. Evidently the average Chinese take a lot of persuasion in this matter. Meanwhile they take our money and do not hesitate to accuse us of unworthy motives in lending it. That is a fact which neither Dr. Sun Yat-sen nor anybody else can explain away. It is too obvious to be wriggled out of.

## DAY BY DAY.

There are some on whom their faults sit well, and others who are made ungraceful by their good qualities.

## Dead Bodies.

Three dead bodies were picked up yesterday, one off the Cosmopolitan Docks and the other two at Hunghom and Samsuipo.

Hongkong Visitors to Manila. Mr. G. V. Hayes, agent of the Dollar steamship company in Hongkong, and Mrs. Hayes, are staying at Bay View Hotel, Manila.

## Dumped on a Buoy.

The body of a Chinese was picked up yesterday off a buoy in the harbour. It had been apparently dumped there from a sampan.

## Unlawful Possession.

For being in unlawful possession of a quantity of fancy goods a man was sent to prison for fourteen days this morning at the Magistracy.

## Theft of Building Material.

The theft of building material at Wanchai was responsible for a man being fined ten dollars. In default he is to undergo a fortnight's hard labour.

## The Gymkhana.

The programme of the second gymkhana, meeting to be held at Happy Valley on Saturday is at hand. Keen racing, if we may judge from the entries, should mark all the events.

## Fatal Collision.

The master of a fishing-junk reports that, while he was fishing off the Wuglan, the s.s. Loongang collided with him and caused two young boys to fall into the water. Both were drowned.

## Bottle Burst.

A hind aged about sixteen has been admitted to the hospital suffering from severe injuries to the head caused at the Connaught Aerated Water Factory, by the bursting of the bottle.

## Stolen Clothing.

For stealing a bundle of clothing from a passenger on the s.s. Kwong Ting, valued at \$10, a Chinese youth was ordered twelve strokes of the birch and forty-eight hours' detention.

## Helped Himself.

A Chinese passing 8 Lamport Lane saw a bird in a cage hanging outside the door and taking a fancy to it helped himself. This morning he was helped to a month's hard labour as well.

## Hsu Shih-chang Retires.

The "Min Kuo Pao" reports that Grand Guardian Hsu Shih-chang of the China Court is determined to retire, and has obtained a permission to return to Tientsin from the Empress Dowager.

## Chauffeur Fined.

The Indian chauffeur who was prosecuted by the Hon. Mr. O. Clementi, Colonial Secretary, at the Magistracy yesterday for driving in a reckless manner was fined \$10 or fourteen days' hard labour by Mr. E. A. Irving.

## Notice to Mariners.

Notice is given that a patch of rock, with a least depth of water over it of 6.4 feet at L.W.S., exists in the Front Reach of the Canton River. For plotting on Admiralty Chart No. 3647, the Eastern Point of Kuper Island bears N. 71 degrees E., distant 7.6 cables.

## Tropical-medicine School for Calcutta.

The "Advocate of India" informs us that the Indian Government's scheme for the establishment of a School of Tropical Medicine in Calcutta is now ready, and will shortly be sent Home to the Secretary of State for his approval.

A non-recurring grant of \$33,000 has been made in this year's budget towards its establishment.

## Taxicabs in Manila.

Manila's first taxicab service was inaugurated on the 15th inst. It is for the benefit of members of the Army and Navy Club and is managed by Boerach's garage, the latter establishment having recently brought a number of these machines from the States. The rates to be charged the club members for taxi service is as follows:—For the first 1 mile, 80 centavos; for each 1 mile thereafter, 20 centavos; waiting time, 4 centavos per minute.

## Proposed Review.

Should a sufficient number of volunteers signify their intention to attend, there will be a review on June 3 at 7.45 a.m.

## Unlawful Approach.

At the Marine Court, to-day, four Chinese were fined \$3 each for approaching within thirty feet of the s.s. Kutsang without permission. The alternative to paying the fine was seven days' hard labour.

## Mr. Jack Leaves.

Mr. William C. Jack, head of the firm of W. C. Jack and Co., left to-day by the Mongolia, for a holiday at home. Mr. Jack has not been in the best of health for some time, and it is hoped that his holiday will restore him to excellent health again.

## The Remedy.

Yuan Shih-kai has issued a proclamation which says that all people who shall in the future go against the Republic, shall be beheaded on the spot. A native paper, commenting on this, observes, "That's the Chinese old medicine which heals every disease."

## Sikh Brutality.

If Shanghai is to set examples of good government for aspiring Chinese cities to follow, loss of the brutality displayed by Sikh policemen toward rickshaws coolies might be advisable, says the "China Press."

Mutual nonine, de Hongkong fabula narratur!

## Rev. V. H. Copley Moyle

The Rev. V. H. Copley Moyle and Mrs. Moyle arrived in the colony on Monday in the N.Y.K. s.s. Hirano Maru and will meet members of the St. John's Cathedral Choir and others at a private "at home" to-morrow evening. The Church Body will be "at home" at St. Paul's College on Friday, the 24th inst., from 4 to 6 p.m., and it is hoped that all members of the congregation, whether seat-holders or otherwise, will take this opportunity of welcoming Mr. and Mrs. Moyle to the Colony.

REVENUE OFFICERS  
CHARGED.

## Alleged Extortion of Admissions.

The case was continued this afternoon before Mr. D. Melbourne at the Magistracy in which three Chinese charged four Chinese revenue officers with assaulting them and endeavouring to force them to make admissions in connection with the charge, concerning opium that has been preferred against them in the first instance.

Mr. Eldon Potter, instructed by Mr. Otto Kong Sing, appeared to prosecute, and Mr. W. L. Shenton defendant.

The case arose out of a charge of being in possession of opium on board the s.s. Loongang, and the witness who was called this afternoon said that, when they were taken to the Harbour Office, they were left by themselves for some time; but during the afternoon, each of the three Chinese was assaulted and asked to admit that the opium, which had been found on the ship, was theirs. They all refused to do so except the witness under examination, and he, fearing that he would not be able to stand ill treatment as he was only just recovering from an illness, at last consented to admit that the opium was his. One of the defendants said to him "You had better admit; if you don't I will beat you as I did the others."

The case was proceeding as we went to press.

## BILLIARDS.

Two games were played on Tuesday in connection with the competition at the Seaman's Institute. In the afternoon Mr. Gorman H. M. S. Tamar, met Mr. Ryan, pursuer s.s. Fatahah. The latter was the winner with a margin of 20 points. He also made the highest break with a score of 16. In the evening Mr. Turner H.M.S. Tamar played Pto Gato, R.M.L.L. of the same ship. Turner proved the winner by a margin of 53. The game was slow throughout, both players being out of practice. Turner also made the highest break with a score of 16.

## CLAIMS FOR SALARY.

## Firm with Many Addresses.

Mr. Justice Gompertz, at the Summary Court this morning, had to deal with three claims against the Hong Hing Steamship Company. The claims were for \$282.40, \$490, and \$100.70, balances of salary due to a clerk, a pilot and a messenger.

Mr. Otto Kong Sing appeared for the plaintiffs and Mr. Shenton for the defendant.

Mr. Shenton said in this case he had an application in Chambers for his client to appear to-day.

His Lordship: Is your client not here?

Mr. Shenton: No, he is in Fochow and I see no reason why there should not be an adjournment.

His Lordship: Will it be necessary for me to take the evidence to-day?

Mr. Shenton: In regard to two of them the evidence is the same. In regard to the third, he is a pilot on a ship, engaged in a different way.

## Similar Evidence.

Mr. Sing said the two plaintiffs he would call to-day would give similar evidence. In this action a writ was issued against the two defendants who, it was alleged, were purloiners in the Hongkong firm of ship owners. According to the instructions of the firm the defendants engaged two different employers; one, a messenger who claimed \$100.70, was employed at the salary of \$15 per month, and he received certain payments on account. The other man claimed, as a clerk, the sum of \$282.40. He thought it would facilitate matters if he took them together; each man giving his evidence in his own case.

## His Lordship:—Yes.

## Messenger's Evidence.

The messenger said he was employed by the Hong Hing Shipping firm. He commenced on the 30th November 1910. He was engaged as a messenger. He was engaged at the Mercantile Bank. The two defendants engaged him. He was to receive \$15 a month. His salary was to begin on the 2nd of December 1910. The Hong Hing firm had offices at 11 Lyndhurst Terrace and he went there to work. The offices were new ones. He stayed there until the 13th day of the third moon of the next year, when the firm removed to another street. They again moved to Queen's Road West. The firm remained there two months. They then moved to Wing Lok Street. He worked at all these places. They remained at Wing Lok Street for five months. They left there on the ninth moon of last year. At the offices of the firm there was a sign written on paper; a piece of Chinese paper. Cheong Wo Chan came to the offices every day. He (witness) collected rents for the firm from different offices. He collected wharf rent. He had worked for the firm twelve months. He received some money on account. The account of the firm gave him a book and entered into it monies he had received from time to time. The balance due to him was \$100.70. At the time he was engaged by the firm there were two other men engaged.

## Why He Went.

By Mr. Shenton:—He went to the Mercantile Bank in the tenth moon. He went there because Cheong Wo Chan asked him. He got to know Cheong Wo Chan through Chau Hip Lung, when he got to the Mercantile Bank. Chau Hip Lung asked him to go to the defendants' firm. It appeared to him that Chau Hip Lung was the promoter of the firm and recommended him. It was not an arrangement that he should be paid when the company was properly started.

His Lordship:—Did you get your food?—Yes.

By Mr. Shenton:—In the fifth day of the twelfth moon he received only \$3. In the fifth moon he received only forty cents and sixty cents.

His Lordship:—That is wrong, Mr. Shenton:—I have it \$4 in the fifth moon.

His Lordship:—That's right, Mr. Shenton:—Second moon \$2?—Yes. Fourth moon \$1?—Yes.

## Small Sums.

Mr. Shenton:—Why did you only receive those small sums?—He gave them to me at my request.

Continuing, witness said it was not an arrangement that he should draw his salary when the ships were running. He did not know that arrangement with Fun Yen Chuan at the Mercantile Bank. At the office he was managing the repairs. They were being towed; he also looked after the removing of the furniture. That was not the only work he did during the twelve months he worked for the firm. Sometimes he took out letters. He carried so many letters that he could not remember the number. The business was never carried on. He had carried letters demanding money for wharf rent. He knew the letters demanded money by a letter he took to Messrs. Butterfield and Swire at the time he was refused payment. That was the only account he had ever collected.

He had not subscribed any capital to the firm; he was only a messenger. He did not know that Cheong Wo Chan was only trying to find capital for the company. He knew he was the manager of the firm. By manager he meant master. He meant by master that he had subscribed the capital. He knew this because the man who introduced him had told him so. He only knew what he was told.

## Merely an Introduction.

By Mr. Sing: When he was at the Mercantile Bank Chau Hip Lung asked him to serve the company. He did not expect to get his money from him; he only introduced him. He expected to get his money from Cheong Wo Chan.

By his Lordship: It was not customary for Chinese to have a chit book, so he could not remember how many letters he had delivered. Sometimes none. Probably ten a week.

Ma Ming-sang said he was employed by the Mercantile Bank in 1910. He remembered the two defendants endeavouring to engage a staff for the newly formed company. Fun Yen Chuan was engaged as were two others. Cheong Wo Chan engaged them. They were in the commodore's office of the Mercantile Bank.

By Mr. Shenton: He was the brother-in-law of second defendant. He did not know that if first defendant did not pay his brother-in-law would have to pay; it was not his business; it was a matter between the defendants. If the claim failed against defendants he did not know that he would have to pay because he had nothing to do with the company. His name was on the prospectus, but it was cut there without his consent. He had not advertised in the papers that he had nothing to do with the firm.

After other evidence had been heard the case was adjourned.

## THE SNATCHER?

## Smart Capture of a Rascal.

A little girl, about noon yesterday, was walking down Graham Street and turned into a house to tell her brother to come to his mid-day meal. As she got to the foot of the stairs, two men rushed at her and one of them took a pair of rattan bangles mounted in gold from her wrists. The articles were valued at thirty dollars. The girl gave the alarm and set off to follow the thieves, and chase was also made by an Indian watchman, who succeeded in arresting the man who had the stolen articles on his person in Gage Street. When caught, the man tried to drop the bangles surreptitiously on to the pavement but was found out in time.

To-day at the Magistracy he was sent to prison for three months, and will also receive two whippings of ten strokes each.

## THE BUELOW.

Touched the Ground but is little Damaged.

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NOTES AND  
COMMENTS.

## A Fancy Price.

If the spirit of Robert Burns ever visits this earth it must chuckle hugely over some of the prices paid for manuscripts of his songs and poems. You remember, how, in his later years, he tossed off song after song for Thompson, and made very little from them. Yet the other day the manuscript of "My Nan's Awa" sold for £102. There are sixteen lines in the manuscript, so the amount realised was nearly £7 a line, or 10s. a word.

## A Characteristic Letter.

A characteristic letter of the poet written in December, 1780, to a friend at Kilmarnock, sold for £23. In acknowledging the receipt of a letter, Burns told his correspondent that he would say no more of the letter than a loss of his acquaintance said of her little "wean." "She said she didn't ken who was the father exactly, but she suspected he was some of those bony blackguard smugglers, for it is like them, so I only say our obliging epistle was like you."

## Suicide among German Boys.

Writing in the "Daily Mail," Mr. F. W. Wile gives an alarming picture of school-boy life in Germany, and deals at length with the prevalence of suicide among quite young lads in that country. The real burden of Mr. Wile's paper is, of course, our old home saying:—"All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy;"—in this case with the dullness which is but the threshold to a morbid self-analysis and self-satisfaction, and to a precocity which provokes the cry: "Vanitas vanitatum; omnia vanitas!" from unlicked cub who, if all were right with the world, could still be playing at marbles. In Germany a boy begins his education at the age of six, and, for three years he works at least forty-three hours a week.

## The Barren Earth.

At nine years his curriculum and his study-hours are considerably increased, and, by the time he has reached his teens, and should be devoting himself to football and cricket, and to the pursuit of Mozart or Louis Stevenson or Kingston, he has become more or less proficient in military drill and has learned to cook his nose at all literature, save Nietzsche, Zola, Ibsen and their like. What wonder that, long before he reaches the age of twenty, earth has become barren for him? Fortunately, from our own experience of German manhood, we are able to believe that Mr. Wile has not given quite the best side of the picture; though we must admit that when Germans civil at our British system of education they would be better occupied in removing the beam from their own eye.

## Politics in the Pulpit.

Hot-headed Nonconformists at home are often accused of giving the pulpit for political purposes, and we note that the Bishop of St. Germans has been thanking God that Anglicans are not as these people are, for in a recent sermon he declared "he was most thankful for the entire absence of politics in their pulpits." He went on to say, however, that they must protest against a more crafty and insidious evil than even the preaching of political sermons—the use and degradation of Sunday as a canvassing day. Politics were not referred to in the sermon, but the affability of the preacher at the door of the chapel won many hearts; and some who had no very clear conception of politics at all, felt sure a pleasant gentleman who could preach with so much feeling must have the grace of God in his heart and be fit to represent them in Parliament. We be to those who used religion as a mere means of gaining personal popularity, whatever their immediate success might be. This is all very nice, and not without point, but the unfortunate thing is that the Bishop himself could not in his sermon "escape" having a "dig" at the Government, over the Welsh Disestablishment Bill, accusing them of injustice, etc., etc. But we suppose that any Bishop who succumbed to temptation occasionally.







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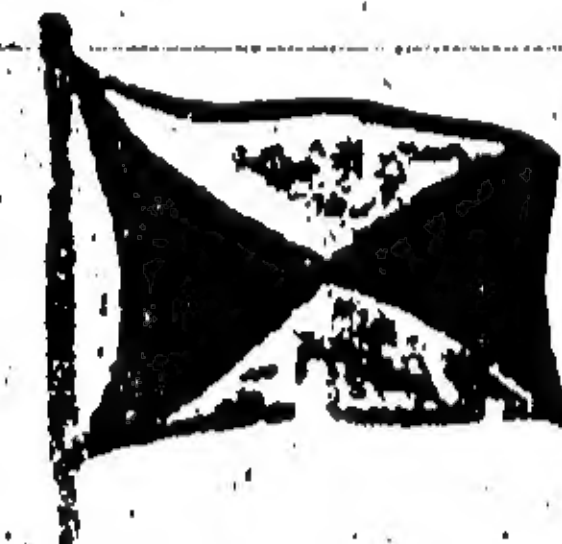
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Buyo Maru .....	10,500	Friday, October 4, Noon.

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LOG BOOK.

British Fleet in the East.—A German's Views.

Discussing England's position in the Far East in the light of recent events, and with special reference to the criticism of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance in Japan, a German naval officer, Admiral Z. D. Breusing, writes in a German contemporary that considerable strengthening of the British Fleet in East Asia appears to be urgently necessary. A squadron of not too old ships of the line and some Dreadnoughts would not be too much if Britain is to assure her influence and retain her hold on her ally. He goes on to suggest that as the interests of England and Germany run parallel, as opposed to those of Japan and Russia, common action might be taken by the two former Powers for the maintenance of the open door in China in which order had been restored. Admiral Breusing adds, however, that the present English Government is hardly likely to adopt such a course, and says that if it ever came about, Germany would owe the result entirely to her sturdy, well-considered naval policy.

The "Big-ship Folly."

Part of the "big-ship folly" of those days lies, says the "Pall Mall Gazette," in the disproportion between the increase in size and the much more appalling increase in cost. The Germanic and Britannic, built for the White Star line in 1875, only cost £200,000 each. They were 15-knot vessels, and the estimated cost of a 20-knot liner fourteen years later was just double the above sum. This again was nearly doubled after another ten years, when the second Oceanic was built. Her actual figure was £700,000, yet the first Oceanic was sold for £8,000! The cost of a twenty-five knot vessel would, according to the Mercantile Cruisers Committee of 1902 be at least five times the cost of one of 15 knots!

Japanese Ships in Chinese Waters.

According to the latest reports, there are 23 Japanese warships in Chinese waters. Nine are on the River Yangtze, six in South China, and eight, including the unarmoured cruisers Iwate and Tokiwa, in North China.

Japanese Steamers must be fitted With Wireless.

All Japanese steamers engaged in ocean trade and without wireless installations, such as the N. Y. K. European liners, will be compelled to be fitted with wireless before the end of this year.

"IDEAL CITY" FOR JAPAN.

The Tokyo Asahi, reports that Mr. Magoshi and other Tokyo financiers have under contemplation a scheme for forming a company with a capital of five million yen, of which two million yen is to be paid up, for the erection of a garden city. The proposal is to buy about 1,000,000 chobai of land at a place about five miles from a railway station to the east of Kodzu, and to erect thereon an ideal city. An electric line will be laid to the nearest railway station, to enable residents to get to Tokyo within an hour. The city is to be provided with fine roads, drainage, schools, hospitals, gardens, clubs, telephones, electric light, waterworks and all modern accessories to make life comfortable. The Company expects to derive a profit from the sale of land and rents.

According to the "Catholic Directory" for 1912, there are 15,015,599 Roman Catholics in the United States. As the inhabitants of the entire country number this year about 95,000,000, the Catholic population seems to be, from these statistics, somewhat less than one-sixth of the whole.







FAR EASTERN NAVAL SQUADRONS.

BRITISH.					Commander		Reported at	
Name	Class	Tons	Guns	I.H.P.				
Alacrity	Despatch-boat	1,700	4	2,000	Comdr. A. Lowndes	Hongkong		
Albatross	2nd class cruiser	4,360	10	7,000	Captain E. B. Kiddle	Shanghai		
Atlas	Admiralty tug	615	—	1,400		Hongkong		
Bramble	Gunboat	710	—	900	Com. B. G. Washington	Kiukiang		
Bismarck	Gunboat	710	—	900	Lt.-Com. J. M. Barker	Hankow		
Cadmus	British sloop	1,070	—	1,400	Capt. H. Tynes	Hankow		
Cambrinus	2nd class cruiser	4,360	10	7,000	Capt. J. E. Drummond	Hongkong		
Chortub	Water tank and tug	300	—	340	Master W. Smith	Hongkong		
Ohio	British sloop	1,970	—	1,400	Comdr. H. R. Venole	Canton		
Fleur	Torpedo-boat destroyer	340	6	5,700	Lt.-Com. H. S. Monroe	Hongkong		
Flora	2nd class cruiser	4,350	10	7,000	Capt. C. F. Corbett M.V.O.	Shanghai		
Handy	Torpedo-boat destroyer	295	6	4,000	Lt.-Com. R. R. Roseman	West River		
Janus	Torpedo-boat destroyer	320	6	3,900	Lt.-Comdr. Maxwell	Hongkong		
Kent	Armoured cruiser	9,800	14	22,000	Capt. Allen T. Hunt	Chingwantao		
Kinsla	River gunboat	616	—	1,200	Lt.-Com. H. Marryatt	Hankow		
Morlin	Surveying ship	1,070	6	1,400	Capt. F. C. C. Pasco	Hongkong		
Minotaur	Armoured cruiser	14,000	—	27,000	Capt. G. O. Cayley	Hongkong		
Monmouth	Armoured cruiser	9,800	—	22,000	Capt. L. E. Power M.V.O.	Hongkong		
Moorhen	River gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. G. P. Leith	West River		
Nowcastle	2nd class cruiser	4,800	—	22,000	Capt. G. P. E. Hunt D.S.O.	Hongkong		
Nightingale	River gunboat	85	—	240	Lt.-Comdr. M. Murray	Yangtze		
Other	Torpedo-boat	385	6	6,300	Comdr. Lamb	Hongkong		
Pegasus	Protected cruiser	2,135	—	5,000	Comdr. F. H. Mitchell	Yangtze		
Prometheus	3rd class cruiser	2,135	—	5,000	Comdr. P. H. Warleigh	Hongkong		
Ribble	T.B.D.	590	6	7,500	Lt.-Com. E. J. G. Mackinnon	Hongkong		
Robin	River gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. J. S. Tyndall	West River		
Rosario	Dayship for submarines	980	—	1,400	Lt.-Comdr. N. E. Archdale	Hongkong		
Sandpiper	River gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Com. E. J. J. Touthby	Hongkong		
Snipe	River gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Com. Maurice Leslie	Yangtze		
Taku	Torpedo-boat destroyer	305	—	6,000	Lt.-Comdr. Brickenden	Hongkong		
Tamar	Receiving ship	4,350	6	—	Comdr. Eyres	Hongkong		
Ten	River gunboat	180	2	800	Com. Hon. Guy Stopford	Chungking		
Thistle	Gunboat	710	—	900	Lt.-Com. M. Baillie Hamilton	Hankow		
Uk	T.B.D.	590	—	7,500	Lt.-Comdr. B. W. Blunt	Shanghai		
Virago	Torpedo-boat destroyer	390	6	6,300	Lt.-Com. H. D. Adair-Hall	Swatow		
Waterwitch	Surveying ship	626	—	450	Lt.-Com. H. L. Hancock	Hongkong		
Wollan	T.B.D.	590	—	57,000	Lt.-Com. M. T. Chambers	Shanghai		
Whiting	Torpedo-boat destroyer	360	5	5,900	Lt.-Com. G. B. Hartford	Hongkong		
Widgeon	Gunboat	195	2	800	Comdr. M. H. Wilding	Kiating		
Woolcock	Gunboat	150	2	550	Lt.-Com. M. B. Blackwood	Yangtze		
Wrecker	Gunboat	150	2	550	Lt.-Comdr. G. F. Mulock	Hankow		
Flagship of Admiral Sir A. L. Winstoe, K.C.B., C.V.O., C.M.G.								
Submarine:-								
No. 36	Lieut.-Comdr. Gouffrey Herbert							
No. 37	Lieut.-Comdr. A. A. L. Fenner							
No. 38	Lieut.-Comdr. J. R. A. Codrington							
T.B. 035	Lieut.-Comdr. Woodward				West River.			
T.B. 036	Lieut.-Comdr. Davies				West River.			
T.B. 037	Lieut.-Comdr. Nicolson				West River.			
T.B. 038	Lieut.-Comdr. Seymour				West River.			
AMERICAN.								
A-2	Submarine	—	—	—	Ensign J. McC. Murray	Olongapo		
A-4	—	—	—	—	Lieut. E. D. McWhorter	"		
A-6	—	—	—	—	Ensign J. O. Van de Carr	"		
A-7	—	—	—	—	Ensign C. M. Yates	"		
Albany	Protected cruiser	3,430	10	7,500	Commander M. L. Bristol	"		
Bainbridge	Torpedo-boat des.	420	7	8,000	Lieut. C. S. Graves	Yangtze River		
Barry	Torpedo-boat des.	420	7	8,000	Lieut. R. Hill	"		
Callao	Gunboat	243	8	250	Lieut. S. W. Coker	Canton		
Chambers	Torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8,000	Lieut. F. J. Fletcher	Yangtze River		
Cincinnati	Protected cruiser	3,183	11	10,000	Com. S. S. Robinson	Shanghai		
Dale	Torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8,000	Ensign J. L. Oswald	Olongapo		
Deatur	Torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8,000	Lieut. B. H. Green	Yangtze River		
Eleanore	Gunboat	620	4	600	Lt. Com. V. S. Houston	"		
Helena	Gunboat	1,392	8	1,938	Com. R. H. Jackson	"		
Mohican	Tender-submarine	1,900	6	1,100	Chief Gun. J. Mitchell	Olongapo		
Monadnock	Monitor	3,009	6	3,000	Lieut. E. P. Svarz	"		
Monterey	Monitor	4,084	4	5,244	Com. H. A. Wiley	Swatow		
Pampanga	Gunboat	243	8	250	Lieut. C. A. Woodruff	So. P. Waters		
Piscataqua	Gunboat	—	—	—				
Pompey	Sea going tug	854	2	1,600	Lieut. S. W. Wallace	Hongkong		
Quinos	Repair ship	3,085	—	—	Lieut. R. V. Lowe	Shanghai		
Rainbow	Cruiser	4,360	14	1,800	Lieut. J. W. Schoenfeld	Yangtze Riv.		
Samar	Gunboat	243	8	250	Lieut. E. D. Washburn, Jr.	Ichang		
Saratoga	Armored cruiser	8,115	14	17,401	Commander H. A. Bispham	Wuchang		
Shallows	Gunboat	370	8	208	Ensign H. A. McClure	Yangtze Riv.		
Wilmington	Gunboat	1,392	8	1,804	Commander W. A. Edgar	Hongkong		
Wompatack	Tug	462	—	650	Chief Boats. P. E. Radcliffe	"		
Flagship of Rear Admiral Reginald F. Nicholson, Commander-in-Chief, U. S. Asiatic Fleet								
Flagship of Rear Admiral Joseph B. Murdock, Commander-in-Chief, U. S. Asiatic Fleet								
VESSELS TEMPORARILY ON ASIATIC STATION.								
Buffalo	Transport	9,000	6	3,800	Comdr. C. M. Stone	Swatow		
Colorado	Armored cruiser	13,680	18	23,000	Capt. W. A. Gill	Olongapo		
California	Armored cruiser	13,680	18	23,000		Olongapo		
West Virginia	Armored cruiser	13,680	18	23,000	Capt. A. S. Halstead	Olongapo		
Flagship of Rear Admiral W. H. H. Southerland								
GERMAN.								
Fmden	Cruiser	3,600	22	13,500	Capt. v. Rostrorf	Tsingtau		
Gneisenau	Armoured cruiser.	11,600	36	26,000	Captain v. Ussler	Tsingtau		
Illia	Gunboat	900	12	1,300	Comdr. v. Gohren	Shanghai		
Jaguar	Gunboat	900	12	1,300	Comdr. Varaslow	Tsingtau		
Leipzig	Cruiser	3,250	24	11,000	Capt. Belneke	Tsingtau		
Luha	Gunboat	900	10	1,350	Comdr. Bendemann	Tsingtau		
Nurnburg	Cruiser	3,400	22	13,200	Capt. Morsberger	Tsingtau		
Otter	River gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Lieut. Jantzen	Yangtze		
Scharnhorst	Flagship	11,600	36	26,000	Capt. Koning	Shanghai		
S. 90	Torpedo-boat	400	8	6,500	Capt. Lut. Berrenberg	Tsingtau		
Taku	Torpedo-boat	280	4	6,000	Obit. z. S. Claassen	Tsingtau		
Tiger	Gunboat	900	10	1,350	Comdr. Luppe	Tsingtau		
Tsingtau	River gunboat	223	4	1,300	Capt. Lut. Frhr Fiecks	Canton		
Vaterland	River gunboat	223	4	500	Obit. z. S. Prinz	Shanghai		
FRENCH.								
Dupleix	Armoured cruiser	10,014	30	20,000		Hongkong		
Kleber	1st class cruiser	9,700	12	19,000		Saigon		
Decades	Gunboat	645	10	1,000	Lieut. de Linaros	Saigon		
Argus	River gunboat	180	6	570	Lieut. d'Estienne	Canton		
Vigilante	Gunboat	123	7	500	Lieut. Biscail	Canton		
Pocho	Gunboat	130	—	—	Lieut. Puchot	Tongku		
Esturgeon	Submarine	—	—	—	Lieut. Combet	Saigon		
Lynx	Submarine	—	—	—	Lieut. Marrs	Saigon		
Perle	Submarine	500	—	—		Saigon		
Protee	Submarine	—	—	—	Lieut. Morris	Saigon		
Styx	Armoured gunboat	1,798	10	1,700	Lieut. Seriot	Saigon		
Frade	Destroyer	350	7	303		Saigon		
d'Urvillo	Destroyer	250	9	—		Saigon		
Takou	Destroyer	130	7	300	Comdr. Mortenol	Hongay		
Pistolet	Destroyer	307	6	300	Lt. de la R. Koradson	Hongay		
Monquet	Destroyer	—	—	—		Hongay		
Vauban	Torpedo-depot	—	—	—		Hongay		
Veteran	Torpedo-depot	—	—	—		Hongay		
Manche	Surveying ship	1,925	10	9,000	Lieut. Bilhel	Cap. St. Jacques		
Flagship of Rear Admiral Colbois de Kerillis, Commander-in-Chief, the French China Station.								
Flagship of Commandre Boucaut, Commanding the local defence, Indo-China.								
PORTUGUESE.								
Macedo	Gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Martins	Macao		
Barros	Gunboat	109	—	—	Captain J. Milheiro	Macao		

MARKET PRICES.

Hongkong, May 16, 1912.

BUTCHER MEAT.

		Cts.	
Beef Sirloin & Prime Cut,—Moi Lung Pa	lb. 20		
" Corned,—Ham Ngau Yuk	lb. 20		
" Roast,—Shiu	lb. 20		
" Breast,—Nagu Lam	lb. 16		
" Soup,—Tong Yuk	lb. 20		
" Steak,—Ngau Yuk Pa	lb. 20		
" do.—Sirloin Cotom—Ngau Lau	lb. 30		
" Sausages,—Ngau Ching	lb. 24		
Bullock's Brains,—Know	per set 9		
" Tongue fresh,—Ngau Li	each 45		
" corned,—Ham Ngau Li	lb. 60		
" Head,—Ngau Tan	lb. 6		
" Heart,—Ngau Sam	lb. 12		
" Hump, Salt,—Ngau Kiu	lb. 18		
" Feet,—Ngau Kask	lb. 9		
" Kidneys,—Ngau Yiu	lb. 9		
" Tail,—Ngau Moi	lb. 18		
" Liver,—Ngau Kon	lb. 12		
" Tripe (undressed),—Ngau To	lb. 6		
Calf Head & Feet,—Ngau-chai-tau-kark	set \$1		
Mutton Chop,—Young Poi Kwat	lb. 22		
" Leg,—Young Poi	lb. 22		
" Shoulder,—Young Shiu	lb. 20		
Pigs Chitlings,—Chu Chong	lb. 22		
" Brains,—Chu Know	per set 24		
" Feet,—Chu Kark	lb. 12		
" Fry,—Chu Chak	lb. 15		
" Head,—Chu Tau	lb. 25		
" Heart,—Chu Sum	each 13		
" Kidneys,—Chu Yiu	lb. 9		
" Liver,—Chu Con	lb. 30		
Pork Chop,—Chu Pai Kwat	lb. 20		
" Corned,—Ham Chu Yuk	lb. 20		
" Leg,—Chu Poi	lb. 24		
" Fat or Lard,—Chu Yau	lb. 15		
Sheep Head and Feet,—Young Tau Kark	set 50		
" Heart,—Young Sum	each 8		
" Kidneys,—Young Yiu	lb. 9		
" Liver,—Young Con	lb. 24		
Sucking Pigs, To Order,—Chu Chai	lb. 22		
Suet, Beef,—Sang Ngau Yau	lb. 20		
" Mutton,—Sang Young Yau	lb. 22		
Veal,—Ngau Chai Yuk	lb. 20		
" Sausages,—Ngau Chai Ching	lb. 20		

POULTRY.

		Cts.	
Chicken,—Kai Chai	lb. 32		
Capon, Large, Small,—Sin Kai	lb. 32		
Ducks,—Ap	lb. 28		
Doves,—Pan Kau	each 24		
Eggs, Hon.—Kai Tan	per doz 24		
Fowls, Canton,—Kai	lb. 35		
" Hainan,—Hoi Nam Kai	lb. 30		
Geese,—Ngai	lb. 22		
Geese, Wild Shui,—Shang-ho Yea Ngai	pair 22		
Musk Deer,—Wong Kong	each 22		
Hare, Shanghai,—Fu Chai	each 22		
" Partridge,—Che Khoo	each 22		
Pheasant,—Shan Kai	pair \$1		
Pigeons, Canton,—Pak Kup	each 30		
" Hoilow,—Hoi How Pak Kup	each 25		
Quail,—Um Chun	each 24		
Rice Birds,—Wo Fa Chai	dozen 24		
Saipo,—Su Choy	each 24		
Turkeys, Cook,—Phor Kai Kung	lb. 65		
" Hen,—Na	lb. 40		
Wild Ducks, Shai,—Shang hoi Sui Ap	lb. 40		
Teal,—Sui Ap Chai	lb. 40		
Wild Ducks Canton,—Sang-Shing Sui Ap	lb. 40		

FISH.

	Cts.
Barbel,—Ka Yu	lb 8
Bream,—Bin Yu	17
Canton Fresh Water Fish,—Hoi Sin Yu	17
Carp,—Li Yu	20
Catfish,—Chik Yu	19
Codfish,—Mun Yu	20
Crabs,—Hai	22
Cuttle Fish,—Muk Yu	16
Dab,—Sa Mang Yu	17
Dace,—Wong Mei Lun	11
Dog Fish,—Tit Tu Sa	8
Eels, Congor,—Hoi Mann	16
Fresh water,—Tam Sin Yu	17
Eels, Yellow,—Wong Sin	23
Frogs,—Tien Kai	30
Groupers,—Sok Pan	52
Gudgeon,—Pak Kup Yu	12
Herrings,—Tso Pak	20
Halibut,—Cheung Kwan Kup	32
Labrus,—Wong Fa Yu	16
Louch,—Wu Yu	28
Lobsters,—Lung Ha	24
Mackerel,—Chi Yu	24
Monk Fish,—Mong Yu	28
Mullet,—Chai Yu	24
Oysters,—Sang Hoo	20
Parrotfish,—Kai Kung Yu	15
Perch,—Tan Leo	16
Pike,—Fa Paw Poong	8
Plaice,—Pan Yu	20
Pomfret, Black,—Hak Ohong	24
Pomfret, White,—Hak Ohong	24
Pawns,—Ming Ha	48
Ray,—Pai Pa Sa	8
Roak Fish,—Bek Ka Kung	16
Squid,—Chiu Yu	40



## COMMERCIAL.

## The Manufacturers Life Insurance Company.

The following is the twenty-fifth annual report of the above Company:—

The Directors have pleasure in submitting to the Policy-holders and Share-holders their Twenty-fifth Annual Report, together with the Annual Financial Statement to December 31, 1911, duly audited.

Insurance.—During the year, the Insurance issued and received amounted to £2,571,237 10s. 2d. Of this, £1,789,377 18s. 7d. was issued in Canada, the largest Home business in the history of the Company, and an increase of £64,377 18s. 7d. over 1910. The insurance in force on December 31, 1911 was £13,502,550 17s. 10d., again of £1,053,376 5s. 10d. for the year.

Income.—The Net Premium Income was £257,756 10s. 0d., an increase over 1910 of £20,497 8s. 7d., while the Total Income amounted to £671,388 1s. 1d., a gain of £46,097 5s. 2d.

Payments to Policy-holders and Beneficiaries.—These payments amounted to £262,981 7s. 7d., being an increase over 1910 of £60,121 2s. 9d. The Death Claims for the year were very favourable.

Assets.—The Assets at the end of the year were £3,000,342 4s. 11d., an increase of £328,847 17s. 6d.

Reserve and Surplus.—The Reserves for the Protection of Policy-holders amounted to £2,017,509 9s. 1d. After making a special reserve of £31,732 3s. 10d. for dividend payable to Policy-holders in 1912, the surplus, exclusive of the Share-holders' Fund, amounted, at the close of the year, to £228,435 1s. 2d. The deduction from reserves, amounting to £1,715 10s. 0d., allowable under the new Insurance Act for policies four years and under in force, was not taken into account in determining the amount of the surplus.

Head Office Building.—The Company's building on the corner of King and Yonge Sts. was sold in December for £161,383 11s. 2d., yielding a handsome profit. The Company retain their present offices for two years.

Death of Dr. Ross.—The Directors have to record with deepest sorrow the great loss sustained in the death of Dr. James F. W. Ross, the first Vice-President and Chief Medical Referee of the Company, and of its founders.

The Directors desire to express their appreciation of the efficient manner in which the Officers and Office Staff have performed their respective duties, and of the splendid results accomplished by the Agency Force, as indicated by the largest amount of business written and gain in insurance in force in the history of the Company.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

G. W. Ross,  
President.

Toronto, Canada, January 30th, 1912.

## Cash Account.

1911	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
First Year Premiums	78,188	7	11			
Renewal Premiums	446,961	13	10			
Amortisation and Single Premiums	3,806	14	3			
Total Premiums (less reinsurance)	527,955	16	0			
Interest, Rent, etc.	143,691	5	1			
Total	671,646	21	1			

## Expenditure.

1911	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Death Claims	112,735	3	7			
Matured Endowments, Investment Policies and Annuities	80,380	8	2			
Surroundings	46,164	3	7			
Dividends	28,161	12	8			
Total	267,440	12	8			

1911	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Total Payments to Policy-holders and Beneficiaries	262,981	7	7			
Expenses	262,981	7	7			
Total	525,962	14	4			

Commissions, Agents' Expenses and Travelling	£	s.	d.
Office Salaries and Directors' Remuneration	21,917	15	2
Medical Fees	7,242	0	7
General Expenses	21,405	11	2
Office Rent and Office Furniture	5,761	0	6
Taxes	3,073	14	3
Dividends to Shareholders	4,981	10	2
Expenses of James Ross	2,500	142	1
Expenses	2,671	388	1

## Balance Sheet.

Liabilities.	£	s.	d.
1911.			
Policy Reserves (H.M. 3d and 10p. 3d.)	617,509	9	1
Death Claims Awaited	35,846	10	0
Profits Deferred and Unpaid	2,820	12	4
Other Liabilities to Policyholders	1,573	9	3
Medical Fees and Other Liabilities	3,185	8	3
Taxes Accrued but not Paid	3,598	17	6
Dividends Payable to Policyholders in 1912	41,732	3	10
Dividends to Shareholders payable Jan. 1, 1912	2,465	15	1
Shareholders' Fund (including Paid-up Capital)	71,203	8	0
Surplus	228,435	1	1
Total	2,000,342	11	11

Assets.	£	s.	d.
1911.			
Government Bonds, Municipal and other Securities	1,177,397	6	5
First Mortgages on Real Estate	1,063,692	19	7
Loans on Policies	379,181	1	7
Loans on Bonds and other Securities	19,392	8	4
Balance Due from Sale of Head Office Building	126,984	6	0
Other Real Estate	1,414	15	3
Life Reversions and other Liabilities	1,146	16	2
Interest Due and Accrued	74,745	10	2
Net Outstanding and Deferred Premiums	84,691	2	4
Cash on hand in Banks	7,139	10	2
Total	2,000,342	14	11

G. A. Samerville,  
General Manager.

We have examined the above Statement of Assets and Liabilities and certify them to be in accordance with the Books and Vouchers of the Company which we have duly audited from month to month throughout the year and certify them to have been well and duly kept.

We have examined as upon December 30, 1911, the Securities of the Company, the Cash and Bank Balances, and find them to be as shown in the above Statement.

Clarkson & Cross,  
Auditors.

Toronto, January 29, 1912.

## MORE LABOUR TROUBLES IN JAPAN.

The "Japan Advertiser" reports that a new phase of labour trouble in Yokohama harbour arose on May 10, when the draymen, numbering about two hundred, employed by Helm Bros. and Kinoshita & Co. lightering firms, made a demand for an increase of 10 sen per day. Previous to this the sendos or boatmen employed by Helm Bros. had made demands for an increase of pay and had gone on strike; but they were brought back to a realization of their situation through the offices of the head of the waterfront police. The demands of the draymen had hardly been made when representatives of the several hundred landing coolies or longshoremen employed by Helm Bros. approached them with a demand for more wages. The cargo handlers of Yokohama, says our northern contemporary, seem to have picked out Helm Bros. as a special target for their efforts in starting trouble. The demands on this firm have been almost incessant for several weeks now and strikes of frequent occurrence. The peculiar phase of the whole matter is that the cargo coolies employed by most of the Japanese firms in Yokohama are receiving less wages than are paid by Helm Bros., but no demands are made on the Japanese employers.

## Today's Advertisements.

## HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

THE SECOND MEETING of the Season will be held at Happy Valley on SATURDAY, the 26th May, 1912, commencing at 3 p.m. The Charge of Admission will be \$1 for others than Members of the Hongkong Jockey Club or Gymkhana Club. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform Half Price.

The Committee invite the Ladies of Hongkong to be present. At the conclusion of the racing the two well-known races, "BIRLINGHAM" and "AUCHENDUON" will be sold by public auction. REGINALD F. C. MASTER, Hon. Sec. & Treasurer. Hongkong, 22nd May, 1912. [382]

## Consignee.

## NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM EUROPE, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

## THE Company's Steamship

## "HIRANO MARU."

Having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before Noon, 10-day. Goods not cleared by the 27th May, will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee and the Co.'s representatives at an appointed hour. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA, Agents. Hongkong 20th May, 1912. [16]

## NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

## IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

## THE Steamship

## "GOEBEN."

Having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk in the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignee before Noon TO-DAY, requesting it to be landed here.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 22nd of May, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 22nd of May, at 9.30 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the 23rd of May, 1912, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELOERS & CO., General Agents. Hongkong, 1st May, 1912. [7]

## INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

## FROM CALCUTTA, KOBE AND PENANG.

## THE Company's Steamship

## "LAISANG"

Having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 p.m., the 2nd inst., will be landed at Consignee's risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., General Managers. Hongkong, 20th May, 1912. [38]

## WING KEE &amp; CO.

47-49, Connaught Rd.

## SHIPHANDLERS,

## PROVISION &amp; COAL

## MERCHANTS

Hongkong, 19th May, 1912. [14]

## Banks

## INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

Depository of the U.S. Government in the Philippines Islands and the Republic of Panama. Head Office—60, Wall Street, New York. London Office—5, Abchurch Lane, E.C. 4.

## BRANCHES:

Bombay, Calcutta, Canton, Cebu, Hankow, Hongkong, Kobe, Manila, Mexico, Panama, Peking, San Francisco, Shanghai, Yokohama.

Capital and Reserve \$10,000,000. Assets \$10,000,000.

EVERY DESCRIPTION OF BANKING BUSINESS transacted. CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened on the usual terms. DEPOSITS RECEIVED, fixed for the year at 4% per annum or shorter periods at rates, which may be ascertained on application.

BILLS NEGOTIATED AND COLLECTED. COMMERCIAL LETTERS OF CREDIT issued. LETTERS OF CREDIT AND DRAFTS granted on all the principal cities of the world. THE BANK'S CIRCULAR LETTERS OF CREDIT are available all over the world.

PURCHASE AND Sale of Stocks and Shares effected. The Officers of the Bank are bound not to disclose the transactions of any of its customers.

9, Queen's Road, Hongkong. Hongkong, 22nd March, 1912. [19]

## THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

Established 1880.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL YEN 40,000,000.

PAID-UP CAPITAL " 30,000,000.

RESERVE FUND " 17,500,000.

Head Office—YOKOHAMA.

Branches and Agencies at:

Amoy, Hankow, Hongkong, Kobe, London, Lyons, Nagasaki, New York, Osaka, Peking, Shanghai, Singapore, Tientsin, Yokohama.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1885.

## HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

PAID-UP CAPITAL £1,200,000.

RESERVE FUND £1,650,000.

RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS £1,200,000.

## FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking business transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

W. W. DICKSON, Manager. Hongkong, 1st April, 1912. [18]

## Public Companies

## THE "STAR" FERRY CO., LTD.

## NO ICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

## NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the FOURTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of this Company will be held at the offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co. Ltd., Queen's Building, on SATURDAY, the 26th May, at 12.30 P.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a statement of Accounts to 30th April, 1912.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, 20th to SATURDAY, 25th inst. inclusive.

EDWARD OSBORNE, Secretary. Hongkong, 18th May, 1912. [380]

## THE CHINA-BORNEO CO., LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

## THE Ninth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, St. George's Building at 12.30 P.M. on TUESDAY, the 28th May, 1912, to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1911, and the Report of the General Manager and Consulting Committee and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditor.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 11th May to the 28th May, both days inclusive.

## THE CHINA-BORNEO CO., LTD.

W. G. DARBY, General Manager. Hongkong, 9th May, 1912. [1870]

## THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LD.

(CAPITAL PAID UP £1,250,000.)

Loans on Mortgage of Freehold Property and Advances made on Hypothecation.

Loans made on the Provident System. (Rates and Particulars on application.)

Trustee, EXECUTOR OF WILLS, ATTORNEY & CO. Undertaken and Executed. SHEWAN TOMES & CO. General Managers. Hongkong, 19th May, 1912. [241]

## Banks

## HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL £10,000,000. RESERVE FUND £10,000,000. ASSETS £10,000,000.

## RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS £10,000,000.

## COURT OF DIRECTORS:

F. H. Armstrong, Esq., Chairman. J. H. Forster, Esq., Deputy Chairman. G. F. Harcourt, Esq., W. L. Patterson, Esq., C. B. Gubbay, Esq., Hon. Mr. C. H. Ross, Esq., G. R. Laurence, Esq., H. A. Sieb, Esq., F. Lieb, Esq.

## CHIEF MANAGERS:

Hongkong—N. J. STARR. SHANGHAI—A. G. STEPHEN.

LONDON BANKERS—LONDON COUNTY AND WESTMINSTER BANK LIMITED.

## HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Accounts at the rate of 3 per Cent. On Fixed Deposits: For 3 months, 4 per Cent. per annum. For 6 months, 4 1/2 per Cent. per annum. For 12 months, 5 per Cent. per annum.

N. J. STARR, Chief Manager.

## HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rates may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3 1/2 per Cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 per Cent. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, N. J. STARR, Chief Manager.

## THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1858.

## HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

PAID-UP CAPITAL £1,200,000.

RESERVE FUND £1,650,000.

RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS £1,200,000.

## FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking business transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

W. W. DICKSON, Manager. Hongkong, 1st April, 1912. [22]

## DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP—Sh. Tael 7,500,000.

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS—BRANCHES:

Berlin, Calcutta, Canton, Hankow, Hongkong, Kobe, Peking, Singapore, Tientsin, Yokohama.

LONDON BANKERS: Messrs. N. M. Rothschild & Sons.

THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LIMITED.

DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN), LONDON AGENTS.

DIRECTOR DES DISCOUNT GESellschaft.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account. DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application.

Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

R. TIMMERSOHN, Manager. Hongkong, 9th Oct. 1911. [2]

## THE MERCHANTS BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Authorized Capital £1,000,000.

Subscribed " 1,125,000.

Called Up " 562,000.

Reserve Fund " 365,000.

## HEAD OFFICE:

40, Threadneedle Street, London, E.C.

## BRANCHES:

Bombay, Calcutta, Canton, Hankow, Hongkong, Kobe, Peking, Singapore, Tientsin, Yokohama.

AGENTS IN JAPAN: Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.

## BANKERS:

Bank of England, London Joint Stock Bank, Ltd.

EVERY description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Stocks and Shares bought and sold on account of Clients. Letters of Credit granted on Agents and Correspondents all over the world.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts at 3 per Cent. per annum on Daily Balance and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained on application.

F. G. MACDONALD, Manager.

## Exchange

Selling,	Buying.
1/T. .... 2/1	1 m/s. L/O ..... 2/1
Demand ..... 2/- 3/16	1 m/s. D/P ..... 2/1
30 d/s ..... 2/1	2 m/s. L/O ..... 2/1
10 d/s ..... 2/- 5/16	10 d/s. Sydney & Melbourne ..... 2/1
4 m/s ..... 2/1	10 d/s. San Foo & New York ..... 2/1
1/T. Shanghai ..... 72	1 m/s. Marks ..... 2/1
1/T. Singapore ..... 96	2 m/s. France ..... 2/1
1/T. Japan ..... 98	1 m/s. do ..... 2/1
1/T. India ..... 150	Bar Silver, ready ..... 2/1
emand India ..... 150	forward ..... 28 7/16
emand, Manila ..... 99	Bank of England rate ..... 2/1
1/T. San Francisco and New York 48	..... 2/1
1/T. Java ..... 12 1/2	..... 2/1
1/T. France ..... 206	..... 2/1
1/T. Marks ..... 2/1	..... 2/1



